

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 5, 6, 13 and 14 are amended. Further, claims 15-19 are added. Support for the amendments to claim 1, 5, 6, 13 and 14 may be found at least at the second paragraph (first full paragraph) on page 20 of the specification. Support for the new claims may be found at least at the first paragraph on page 19 of the specification, the last paragraph on page 19 of the specification, the first paragraph of page 34 of the specification. No new matter is added by the above amendment. In view of at least the following, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

I. Interview Summary

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representatives by Examiner Lett in the August 29, 2007 personal interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

II. Specification Objection

The Office Action objects to the title as allegedly being non-descriptive. This objection is respectfully traversed.

By this Amendment, the title is amended to recite " A DISPLAY PROCESSING APPARATUS WITH A DISPLAY COMPONENT FOR DISPLAYING A SCREEN BASED ON A DISPLAY PATTERN AND AN IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS."

Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

III. Claim Objection

The Office Action objects to claims 1, 6, 13 and 14 over informalities. This objection are respectfully traversed.

By this Amendment, claims 1, 6, 13 and 14 are amended to cure any alleged informalities.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the objections is respectfully requested.

IV. Claim Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Office Action rejects claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 6,924,826 (Nakagiri). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

It is well settled that a claim is anticipated only if each and every element set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference. See MPEP § 2131. Despite the Office Action's assertions, Nakagiri does not teach each and every feature presently recited in claims 1, 6, 13 and 14.

Independent claim 1 recites, in part, "an acquisition component that communicates over a network with a device that controls a series of processes to be applied to document data, the acquiring component acquiring an instruction from the device, the instruction instructing to perform a first process included in the series of processes and including setting information representing a setting of the first process."

Similarly, independent claim 6 recites, in part, "an acquisition component that communicates over a network with a device that controls a series of processes to be applied to document data, the acquiring component acquiring an instruction from the device, the instruction instructing to perform a first process included in the series of processes and including setting information representing a setting of the first process."

Independent claim 13 recites, in part, "an image processing method which can acquire, by communication over a network, an instruction from a device that controls a series of processes to be applied to document data, the instruction instructing to perform a first process included in the series of processes and including setting information representing a setting of the first process."

Similarly, independent claim 14 recites, in part, "an image processing method which can acquire, by communication over a network, an instruction from a device that controls a

series of processes to be applied to document data, the instruction instructing to perform a first process included in the series of processes and including setting information representing a setting of the first process."

Conversely, as discussed at length during the August 29, 2007 personal interview, Nakagiri fails to teach at least the feature relating to the acquisition of an instruction through communication over a network. In particular, at least in view of the common usage definition of a network, Nakagiri fails to anticipate the presently recited combination of features.

Therefore, Nakagiri fails to teach, disclose or suggest the above-quoted features recited in claims 1, 6, 13 and 14. Thus, Nakagiri fails to disclose each and every element recited in claims 1, 6, 13 and 14.

Claims 2-5 and 7-12 variously depend from claims 1, 6, 13 and 14. Because Nakagiri fails to teach, disclose or suggest the features recited in independent claims 1, 6, 13 and 14, dependent claims 2-5 and 7-12 are patentable for at least the reasons that claims 1, 6, 13 and 14 are patentable, as well as for the additional features they recite.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

V. New Claims

By this Amendment, claims 15-19 are added. Claims 15-19 depend from claim 1. Thus, claims 15-19 are allowable for the same reasons that claim 1 is allowable as well as for the additional features they recite.

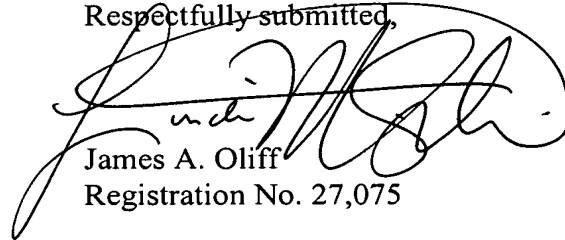
Accordingly, allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

VI. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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